Cardiovascular System Block

Cardiac Cycle- 1

(Physiology)

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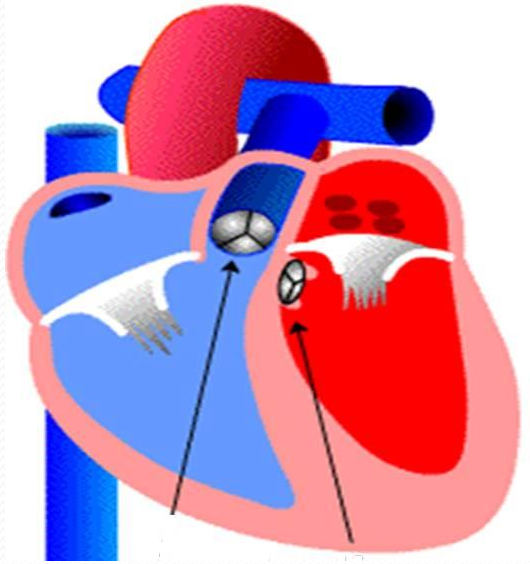
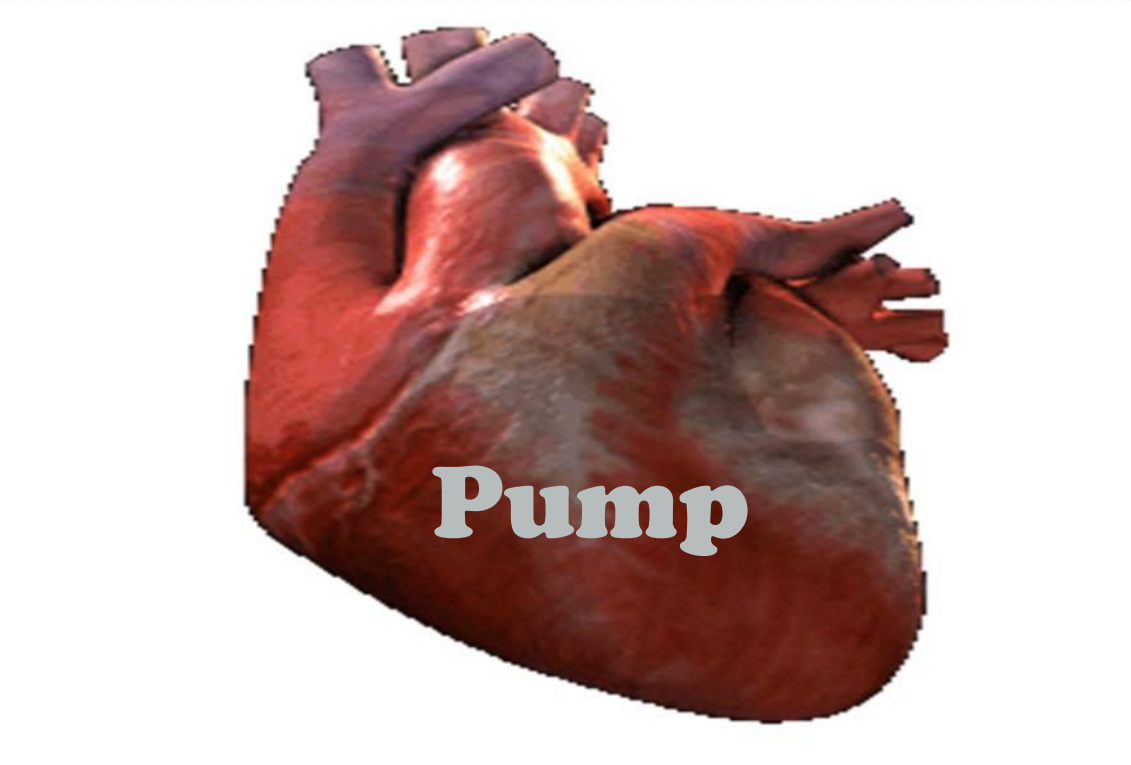


Learning Objectives

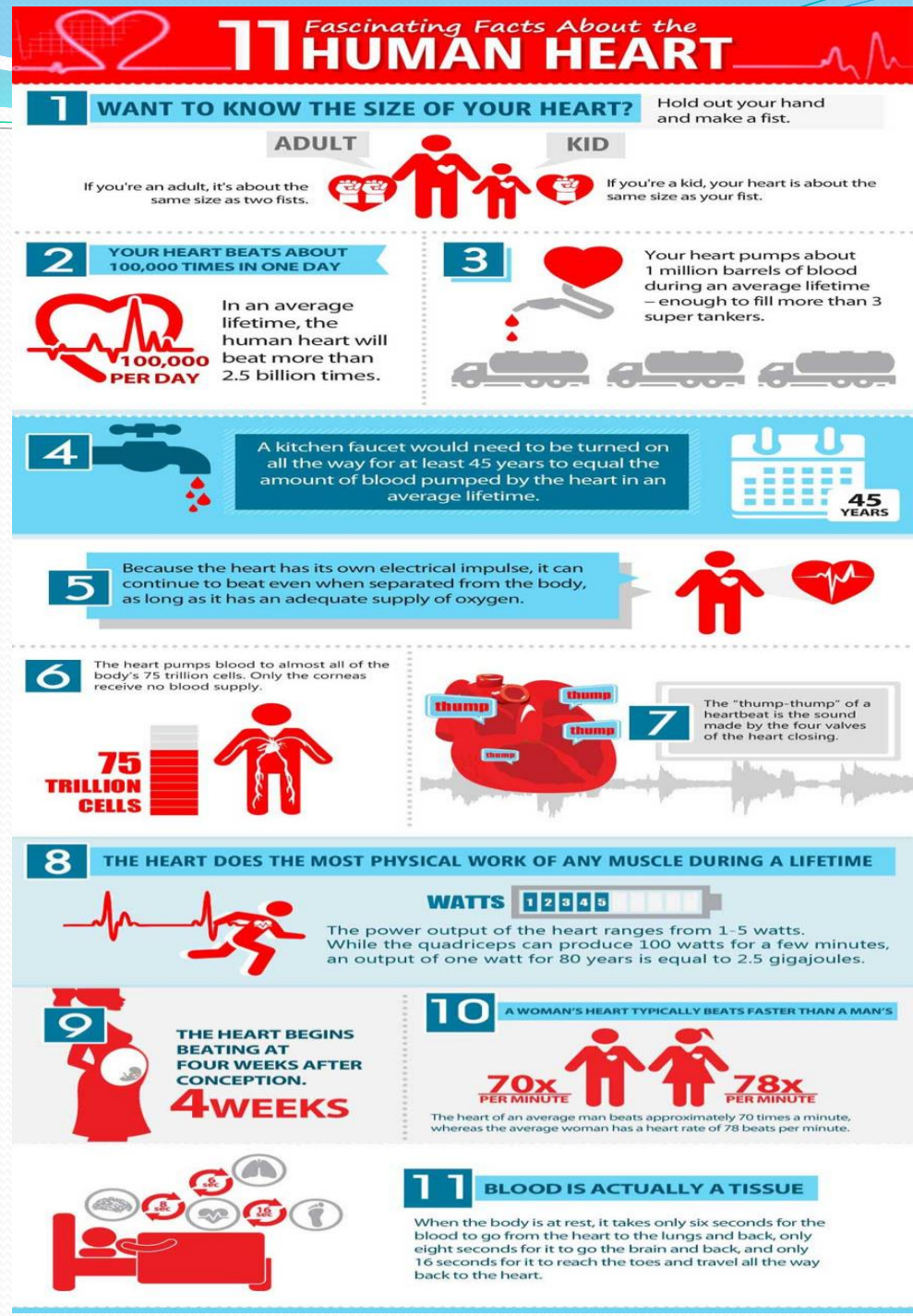
1. Main Function of the Heart
2. Cardiac Cycle Time
3. Phases of the Cardiac Cycle
4. ventricular Volume during Cardiac cycle

Function of the Heart



Facts About Our Heart

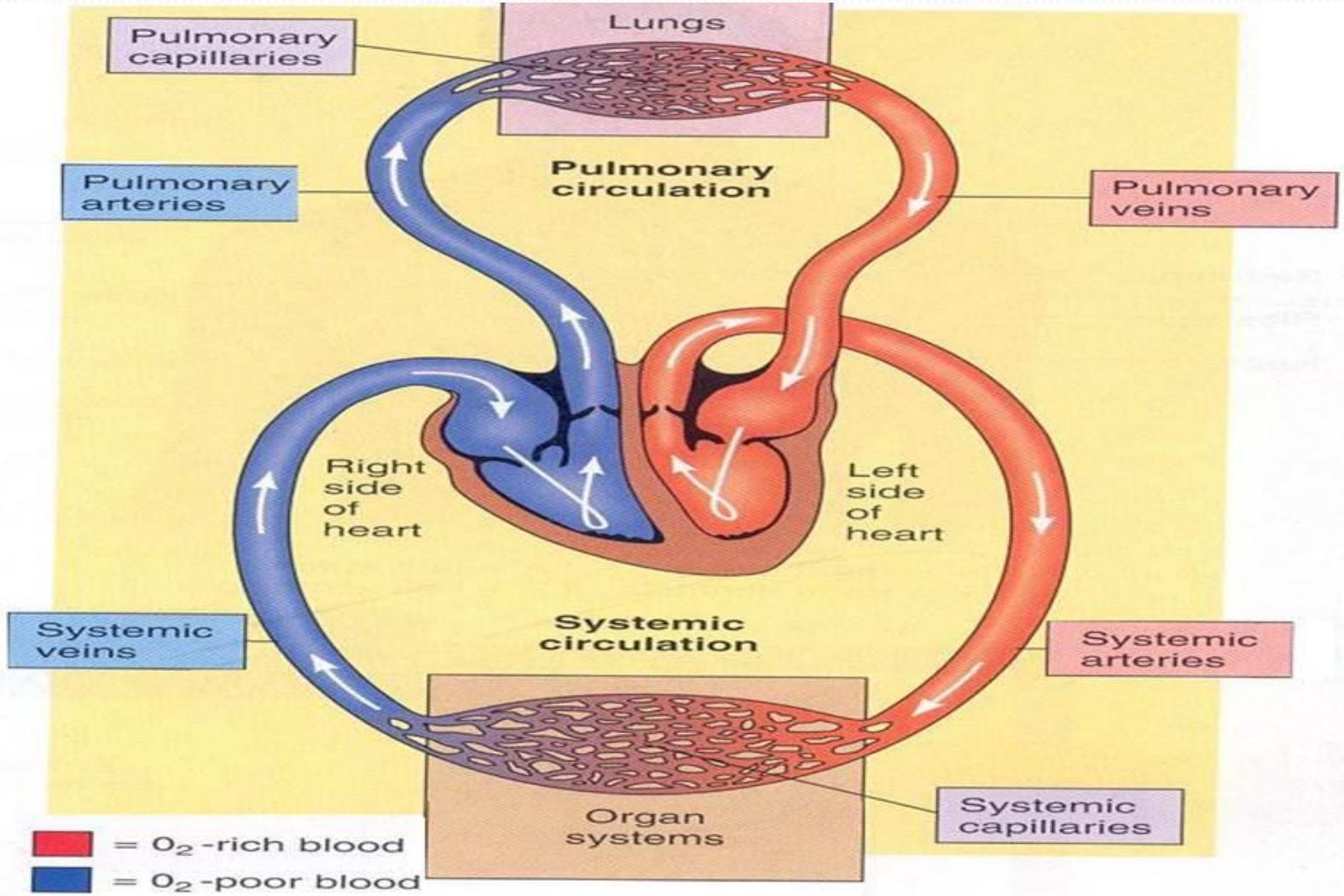
- Size of a fist and weighing about 250 grams
- In lifetime beats 3 billion times and pumps 110 million gallons of blood (2000 gallons/day.(
- Every day, your heart creates enough energy to drive a truck for 20 miles (32 km.(
- In a lifetime, that is equivalent to driving to the moon and back
- Our heart has its own electrical impulse, it can continue to beat even when separated from the body, as long as it has an adequate supply of oxygen



The Heart is a double pump

Heart is a double pump (right & left) that work together.

Systemic & Pulmonary circulation work together



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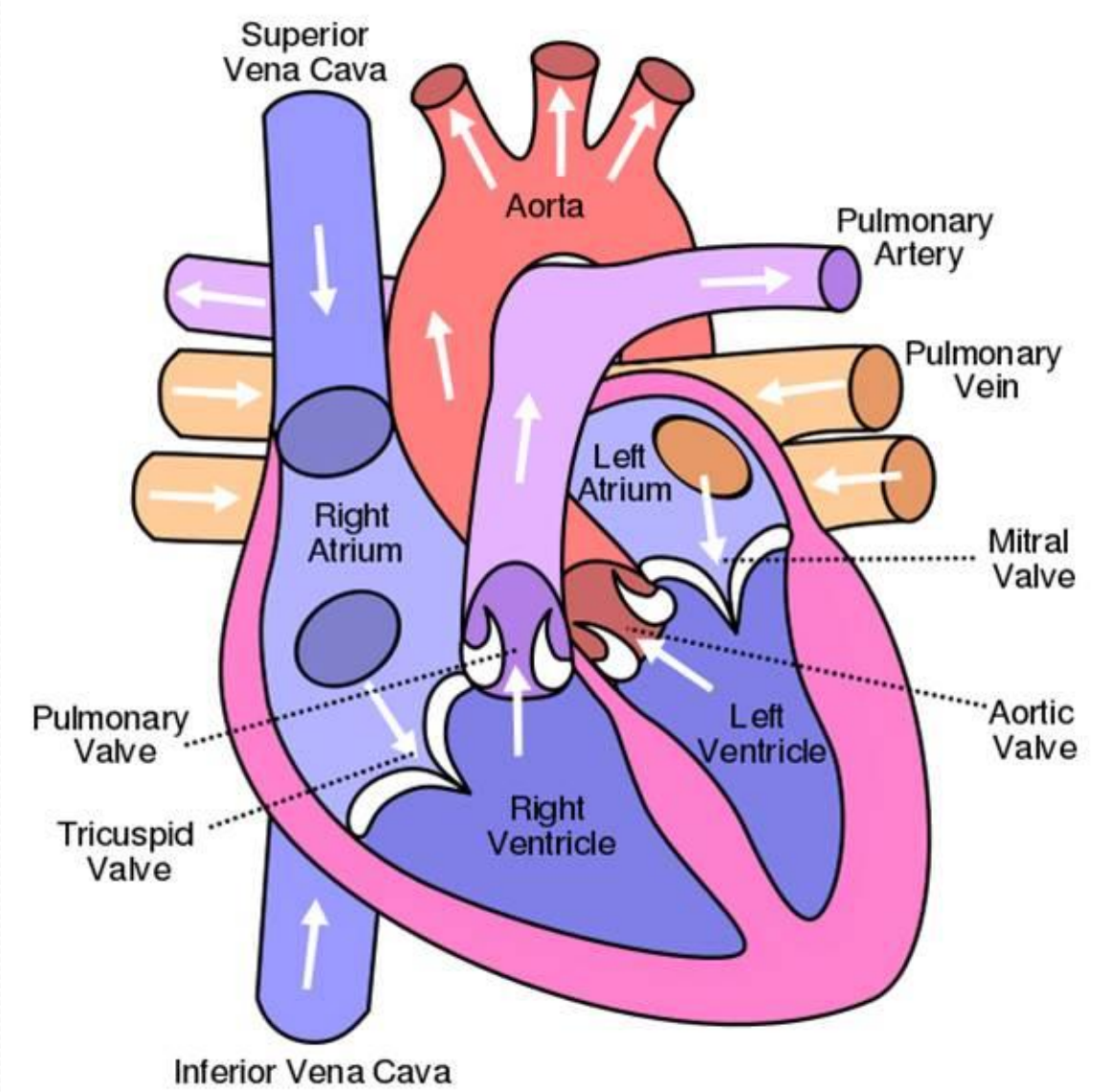


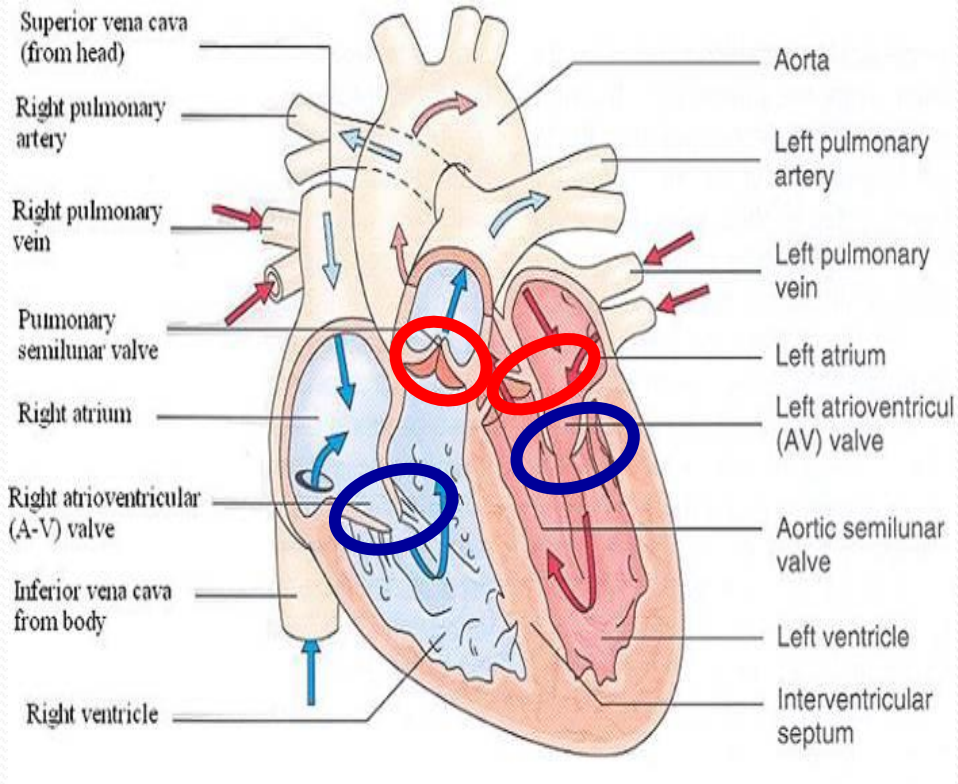
Valves of the heart

Atrioventricular valves:

1. Tricuspid valve: between right atrium & right ventricle.
2. Mitral valve: between left atrium & left ventricle.

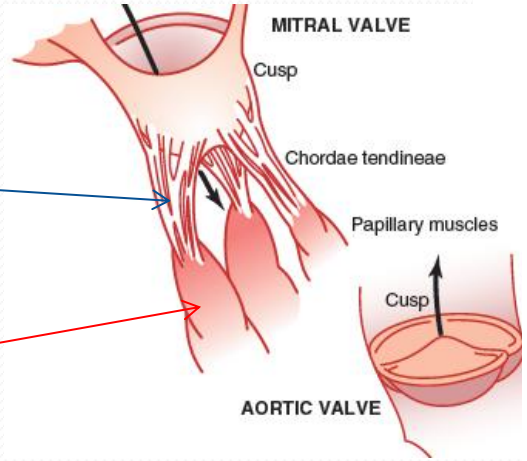
Semilunar valves:

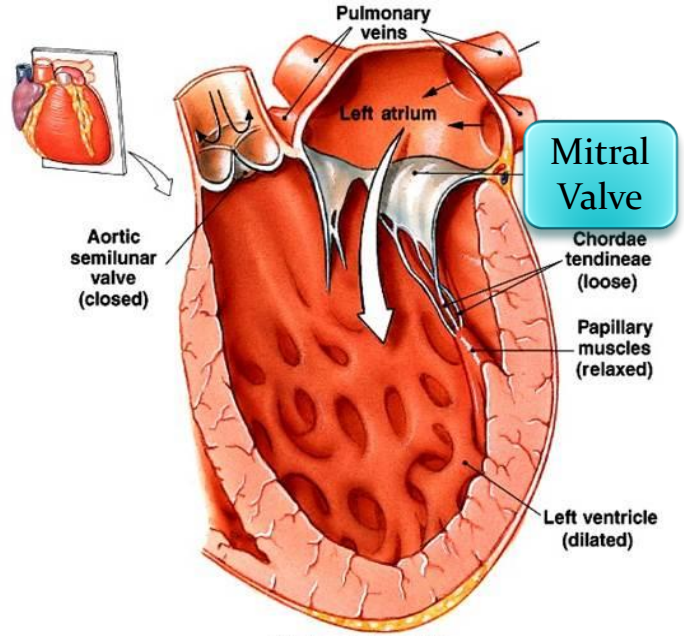
1. Pulmonary valve: between right ventricle & pulmonary artery.
2. Aortic valve: between left ventricle & aorta.



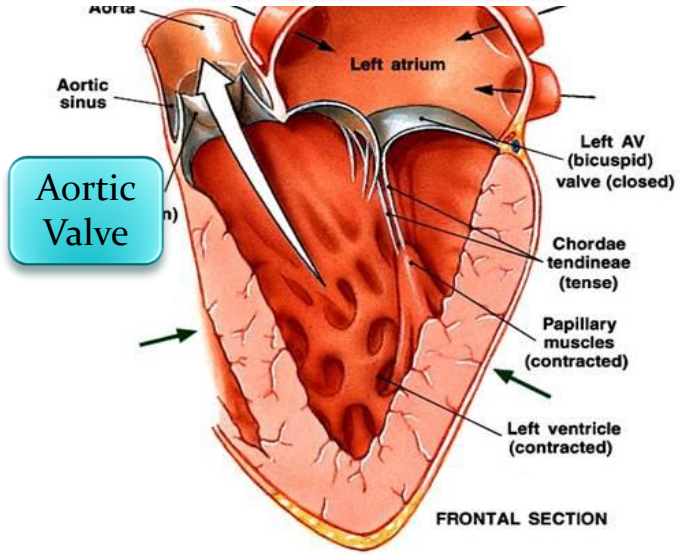
Functions of the Valves

- Valves allow blood to flow in only ONE direction.
- Opening & closure of valves occur as a result of pressure gradient across the valve.
- When A-V valves open, semilunar valves close & vice versa.
- A-V cusps are held by chordae tendinea to muscular projections called "Papillary muscles".





FRONTAL SECTION THROUGH LEFT ATRIUM AND VENTRICLE



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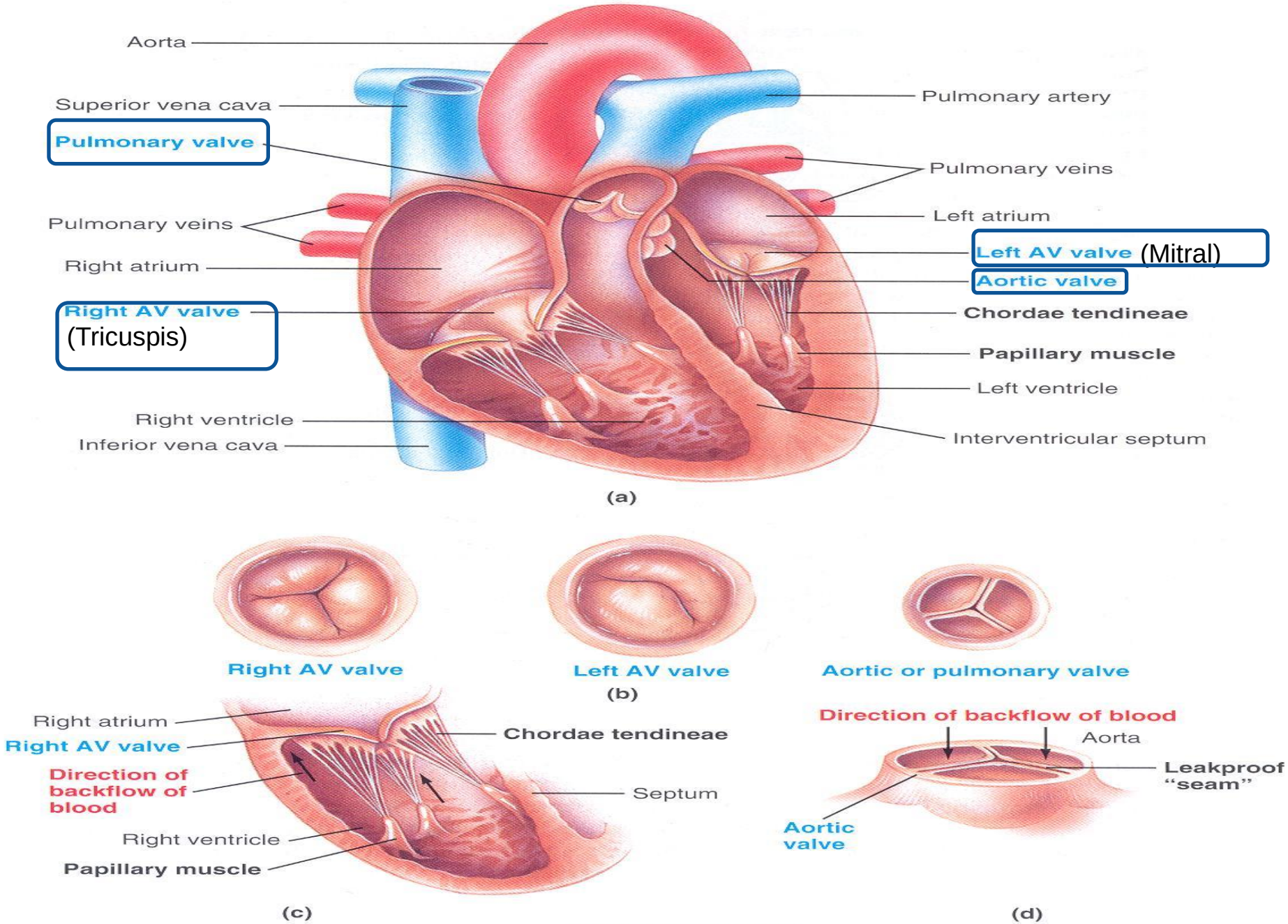
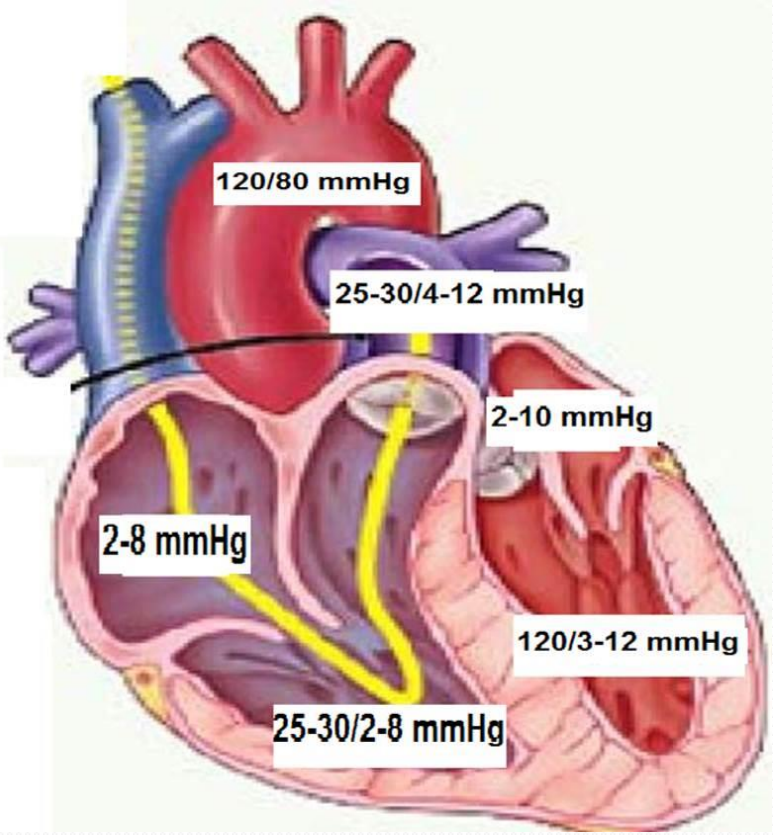


Heart valves

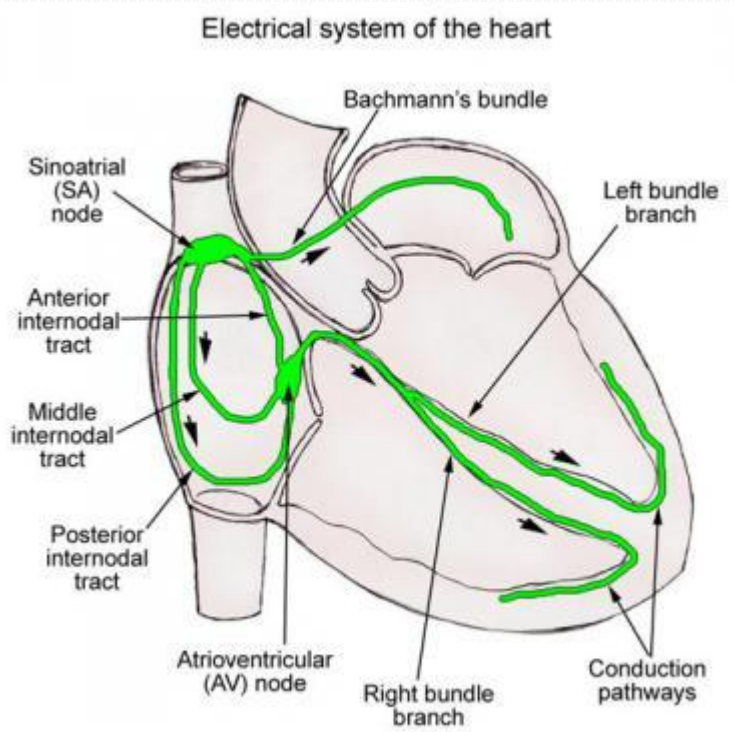
General Principles

- Contraction of the heart generates pressure changes & results in orderly blood movement.
- Blood flows from an area of high pressure to an area of low pressure.
- Events are the same in the right & left sides of the heart, but with lower pressures in the right side.
- Atrial & ventricular systole do not occur at same time, but their relaxation occurs at same time during diastole of whole heart which lasts for 0.4 sec.



The Cardiac Cycle

- Sequence of events that take place in the heart in each beat (from the beginning of one heart beat to beginning of the next one).
- Each cycle is initiated by depolarization of S-A node, followed by contraction of the atria.
- The signal is transmitted to ventricles through A-V node & A-V bundle to cause ventricular contraction.



Cardiac cycle Time

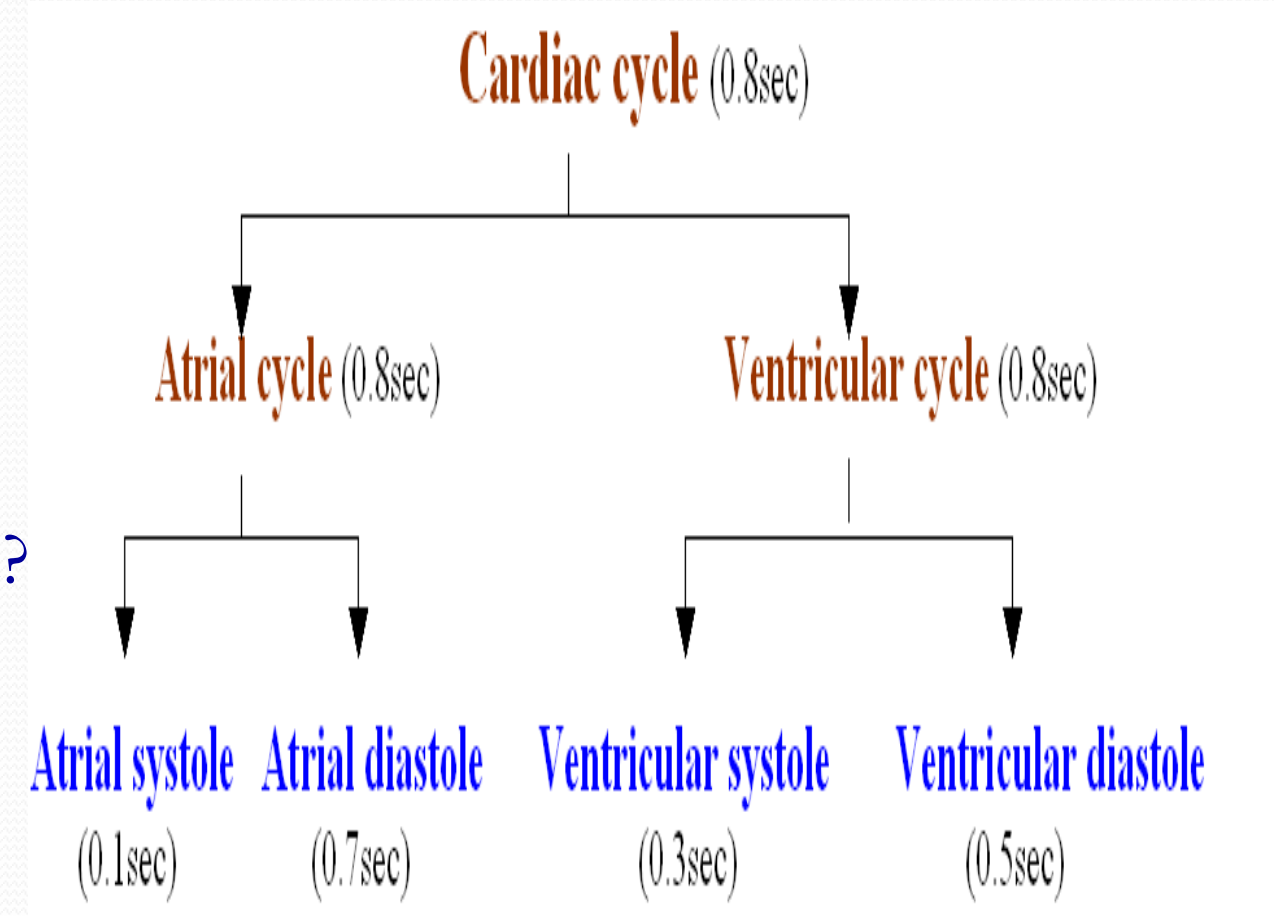
- This is time required for one complete cardiac cycle.
- When heart rate (HR) is 75 beats/min, the time will be 0.8 Sec

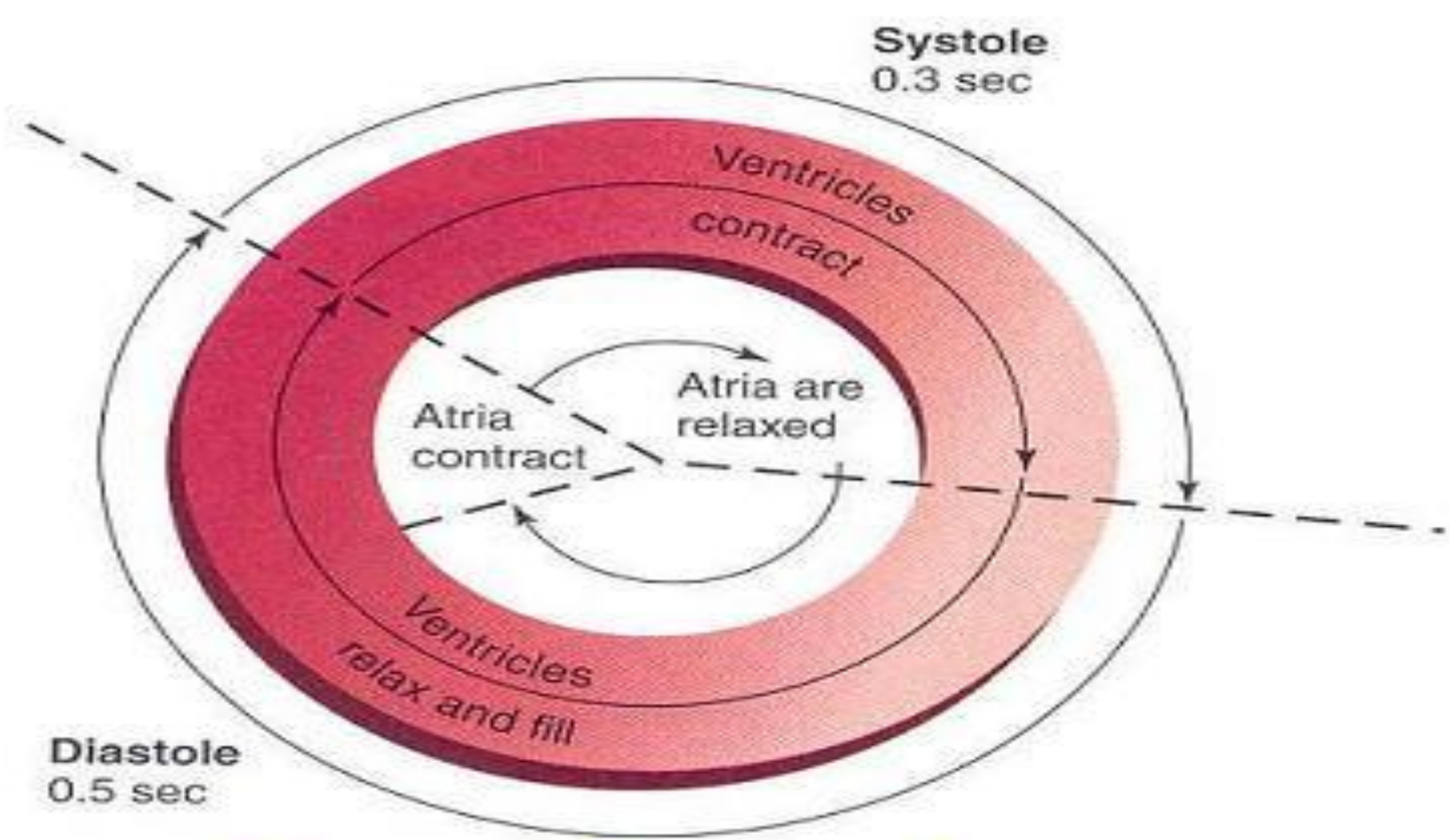
Cardiac cycle time= 60/HR = 60/75= 0.8 Sec.

- The time is inversely proportional to HR.
- Cardiac cycle starts by systole of both atria (0.1 sec), then systole of both ventricles (0.3 sec), then diastole of whole heart (0.4 sec).

Cardiac Cycle Duration

- **Cardiac cycle duration = 0.8 sec (**when HR 75 beats/min).
  - Ventricular systole = 0.3 sec
  - Ventricular diastole = 0.5 sec
  - Atrial systole = 0.1 sec
  - Atrial diastole = 0.7 sec
- Normally, diastole is longer > systole
- Importance of long ventricular diastole?
  - Coronary blood flow
  - Ventricular filling



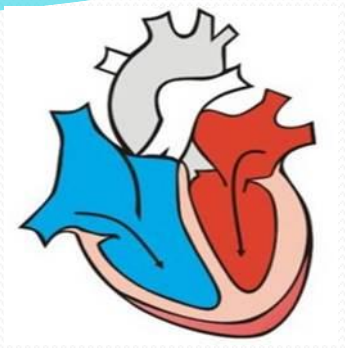


The cardiac cycle

Definitions

- **End-diastolic volume (EDV):**

  Volume of blood in ventricles at the end of diastole = **110-130 mL.**



- **End-systolic volume (ESV):**

  Amount of blood left in ventricles at the end of systole = **40-60 mL.**

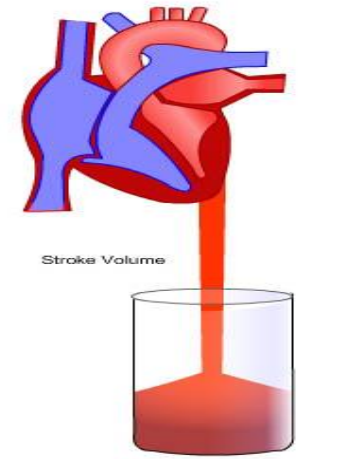
- **Stroke volume (SV):**

  Amount of blood ejected from ventricles during systole = **70 mL/beat. SV = EDV – ESV**

- **Ejection fraction (EF):**

  The percentage of EDV which is ejected with each stroke. It is a good index of ventricular function.

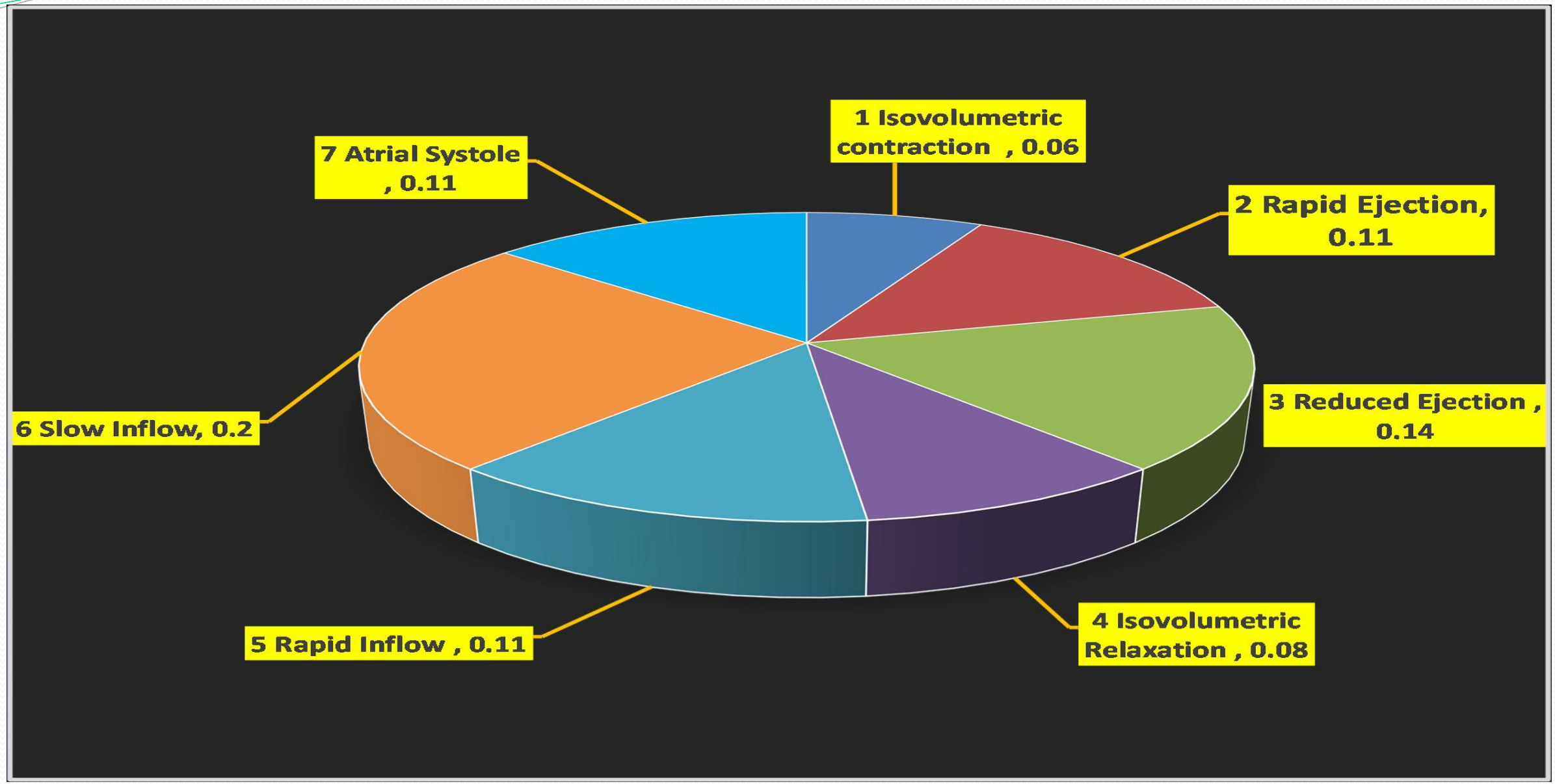
  EF= SV or (EDV – ESV)/EDV X 100



Phases of cardiac cycle

- Ventricular systole (0.3 sec.)
  - Isovolumic (isovolumetric) contraction phase (0.05 sec.)
  - Maximum ejection phase (0.15 sec.)
  - Reduced ejection phase (0.1 sec)
- Ventricular diastole (0.4)
  - Isovolumic (isovolumetric) relaxation phase (0.06 sec.)
  - Rapid filling phase (0.11 sec.)
  - Reduced filling phase (0.2 sec.)
- Atrial systole (0.11 sec.)

Phases of Cardiac Cycle: 7 Phases



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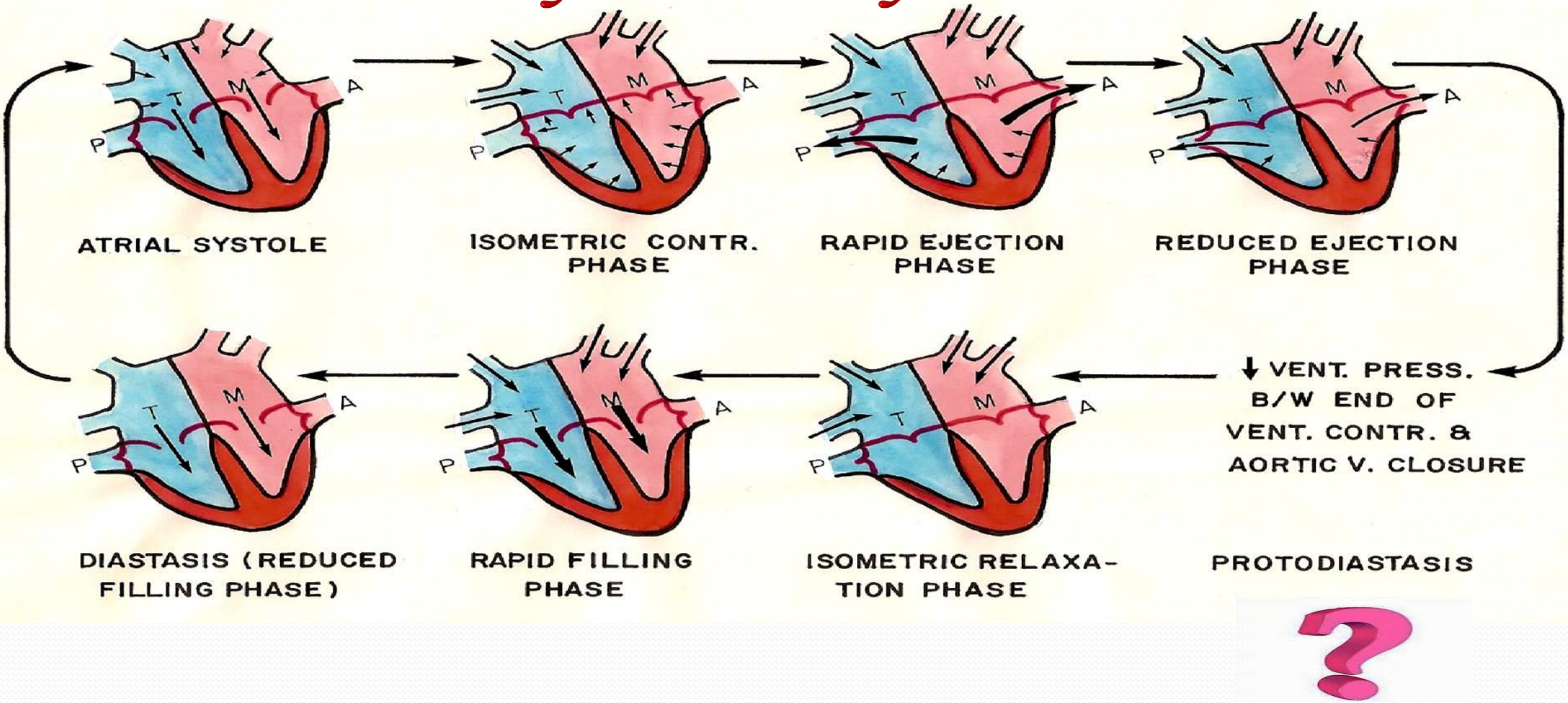

N.B. ? Considered ‘8’ phases if including 1st phase of diastole

Events in the cardiac Cycle

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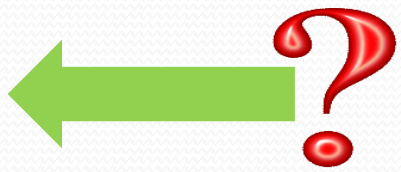
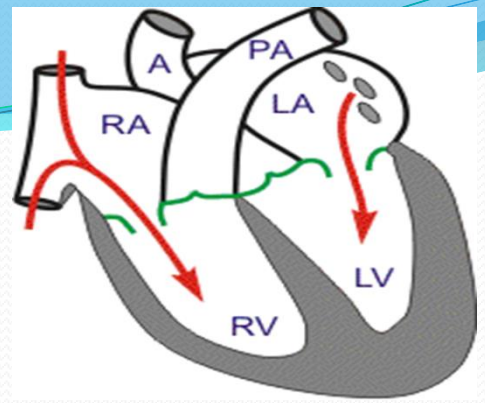
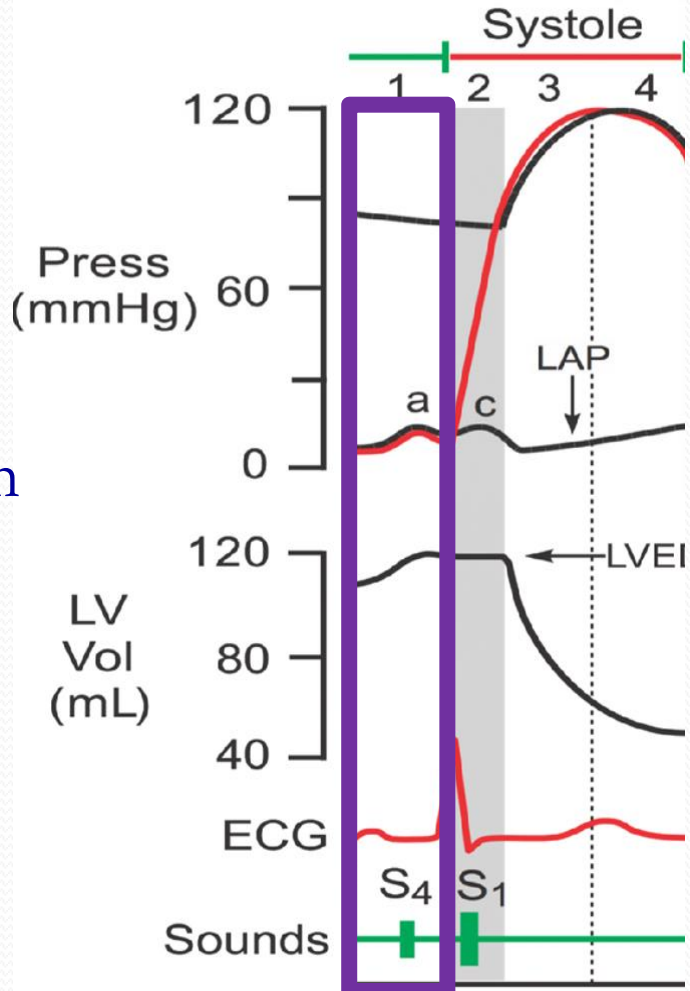


2. Ventricular Volume Changes
3. Pressure Changes
4. Heart Sounds
5. Electrical Events (ECG)

1- Atrial Systole:

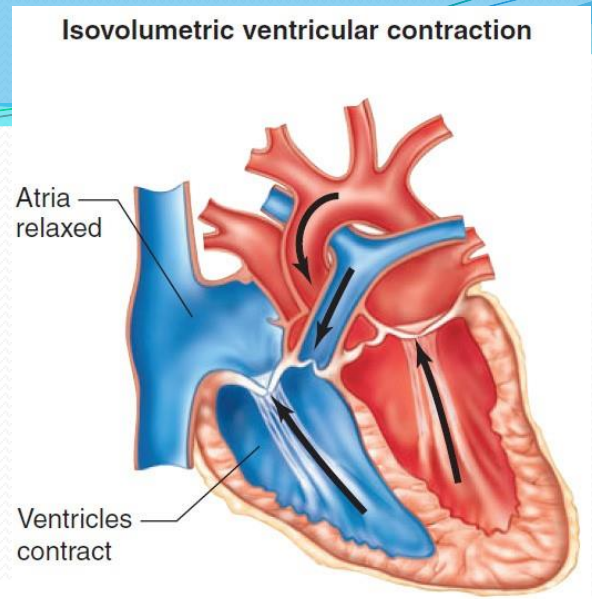


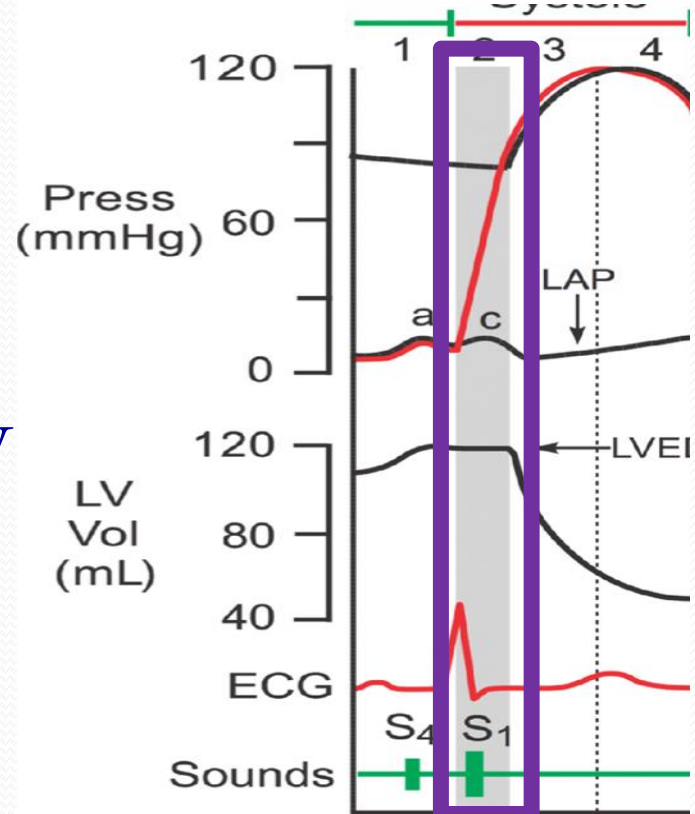
- It occurs at end of ventricular diastole
- 25 % of blood passes to the ventricles.
- Atria act as primer pumps & increase the ventricular pumping effectiveness as much as 20-25%
- Valves: A-V valves open (semilunar valves closed). blood goes from atria to ventricles.
- Ventricular volume: ↑ due to blood passage into ventricle. It reaches the EDV 130 ml.
- Ventricular pressure: First slightly ↑ due to entry of blood from atria. Then ↓ due to dilatation of ventricles. In both cases, it is less than atrial P.
- Atrial pressure: First ↑ due to systole of atria. Then ↓ due to blood passage into ventricles.
- 4th Heart sound heard due to atrial contraction.



2- Isovolumetric Contraction Phase:

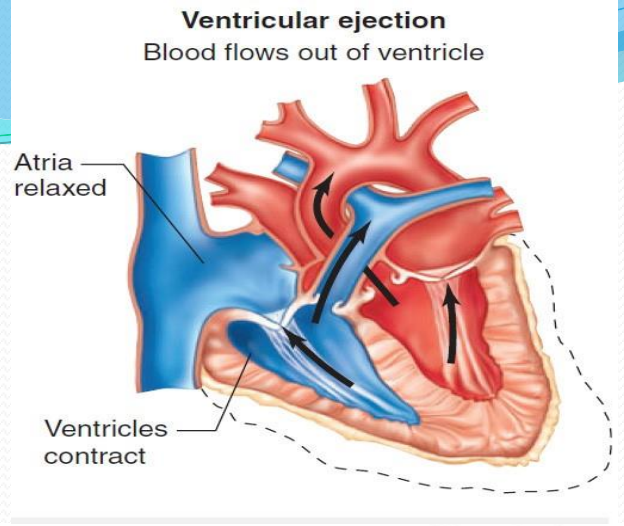
- It occurs at beginning of ventricular systole.
- Starts with closure of A-V valves.
- 1st Heart sound heard.
- Semilunar valves: Still closed.
- Ventricle is a closed chamber.
- It contracts isometrically, no shortening
- Volume in ventricle = EDV
- Ventricular pressure ↑ suddenly
- Aortic valve opens at the end of this phase, when LV exceeds 80mmHg.
- Atrial pressure: ↑ due to doming of cusps of closed A-V valves into atria.

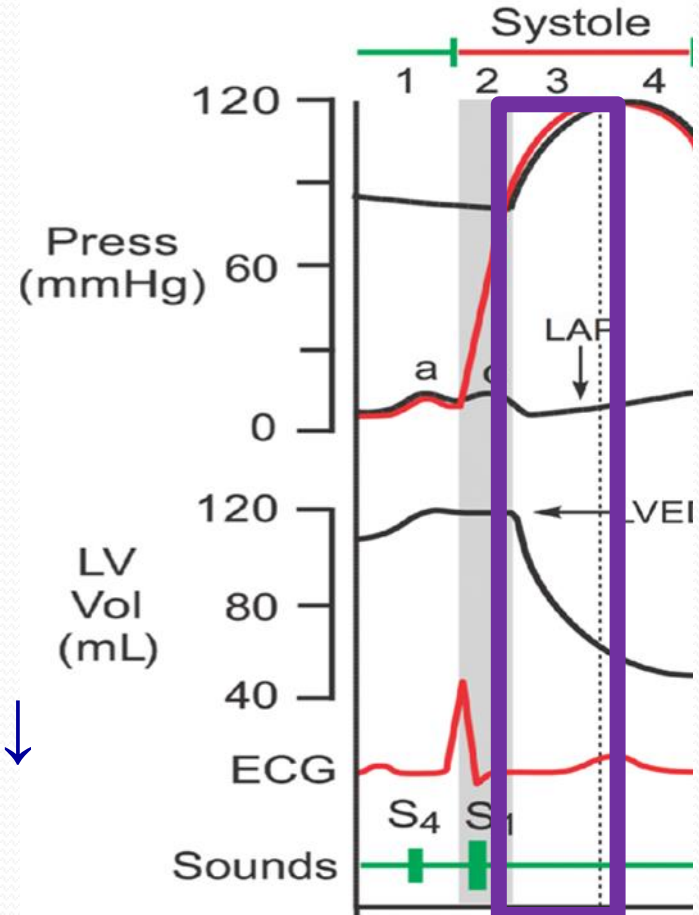




3- Maximum (Rapid) Ejection Phase:

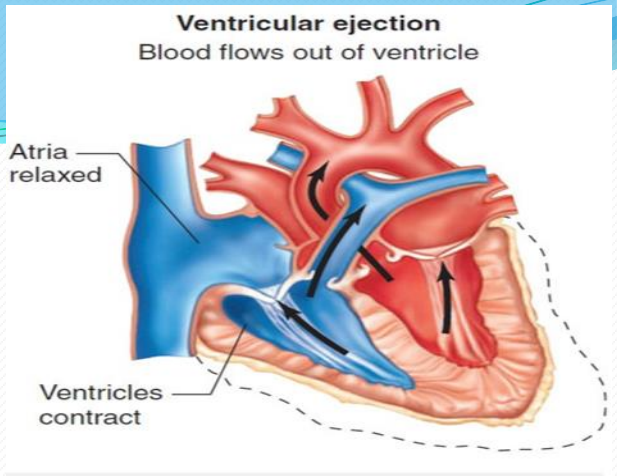
- The ventricles contract isotonically (with shortening) pushing most of blood (75% of ventricular blood) into aorta & pulmonary artery.
- Semilunar valves open at beginning of this phase when LV pressure exceeds 80 mmHg.
- AV valves: Still closed.
- Ventricular pressure reaches 120 mmHg in left V .
- Ventricular volume: ↓ sharply due to shortening of ventricular wall and ejection of blood.
- Atrial pressure: First ↓ because when ventricles contract, they pull fibrous AV ring with AV valves downward thus ↓ atrial P.

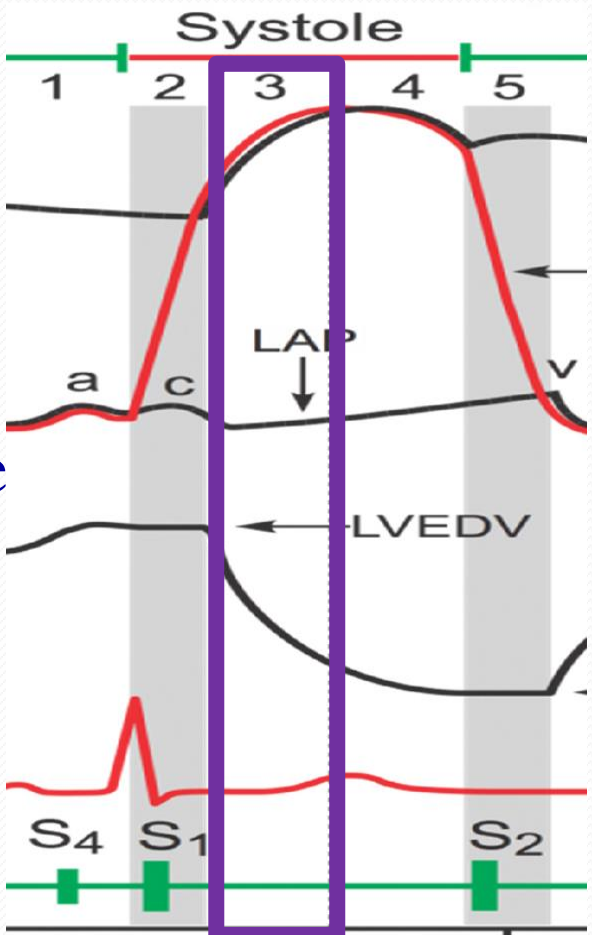




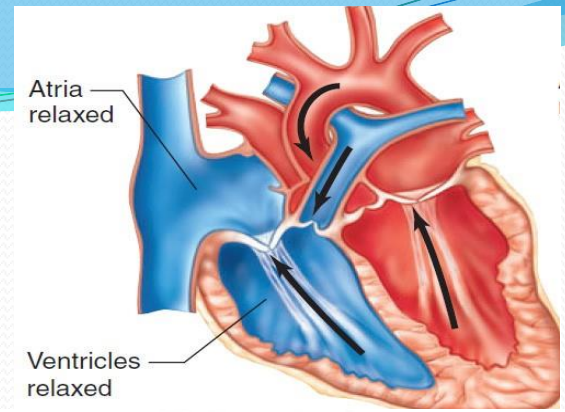
4- Reduced Ejection Phase:

- The ventricles contract with less shortening than the previous phase and less blood is ejected (end of systole).
- Almost 25% of ventricular blood is ejected, 25% of SV.
- AV valves: Still closed.
- Semilunar valves: Still opened.
- Atrial pressure: Still ↑ gradually due to accumulation of venous blood.
- Ventricular volume: Continue ↓ gradually till it reaches the end systolic volume (60 ml).
- Ventricular pressure: ↓ gradually, as volume of blood leaving ventricles > the decrease in ventricular volume.

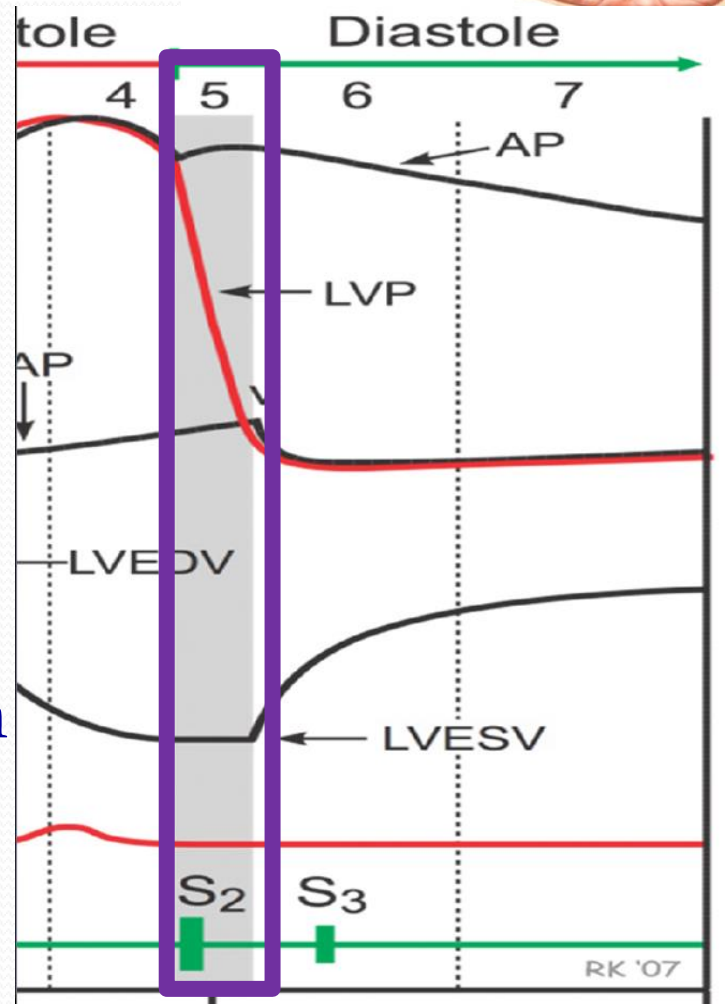




5- Isovolumetric Relaxation Phase:

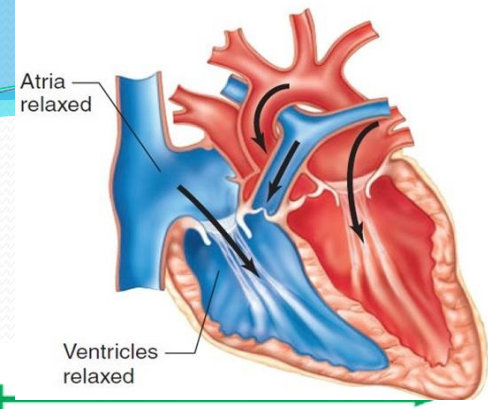


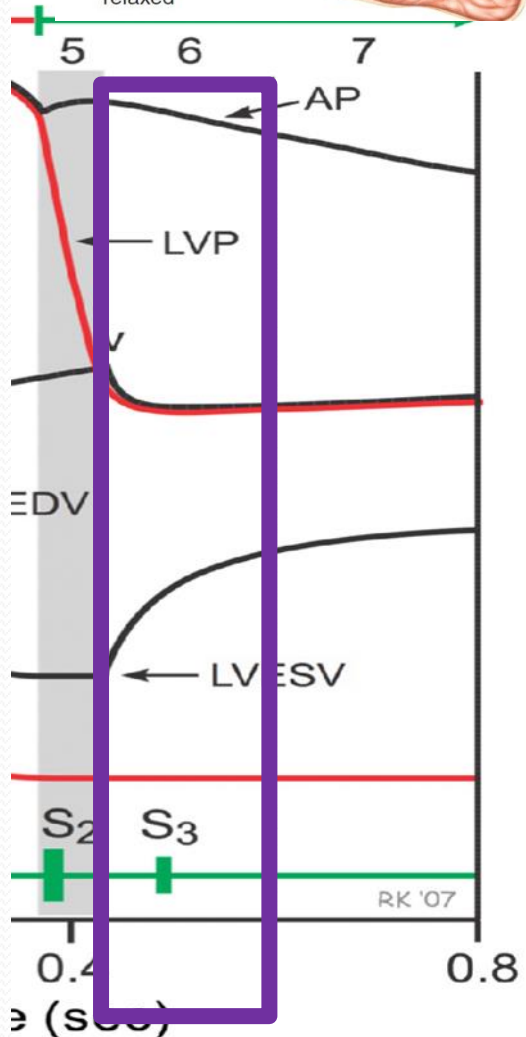
- The ventricles relax without changing their volume. It occurs at the beginning of diastole.
- Ventricular volume is constant at the ESV (60 ml).
- Semilunar valves: close at the beginning of phase.
- 2nd Heart sound is heard.
- A-V valves: Still closed.
- Ventricular pressure: ↓ rapidly, because the valves are closed & the relaxation is isometric.
- Atrial pressure: Still ↑ gradually due to accumulation of venous blood.



6- Rapid Filling Phase:

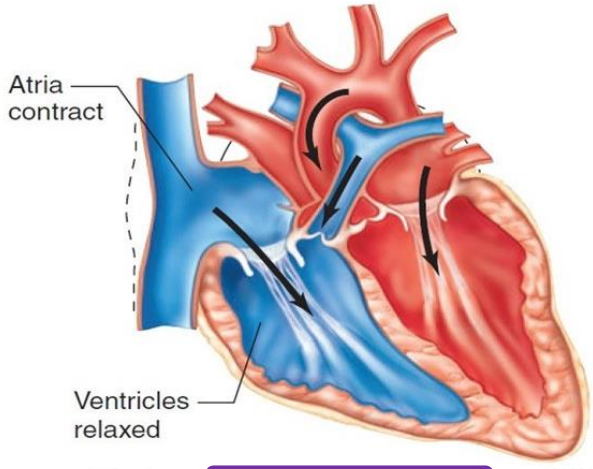
- Atrial pressure > ventricular pressure. A-V valves open.
- ≈ 60-70% of blood passes passively to the ventricles along pressure gradient.
- 3rd Heart sound heard due to rush of blood into ventricles and vibration in ventricular wall.
- Semilunar valves: Still closed.
- Atrial pressure: First sudden ↓ due to rush of blood from atria to ventricles. Then gradually ↑ due to entry of venous blood.
- Ventricular volume: ↑ because it is being filled with blood.
- Ventricular pressure: Slightly ↑ but < atrial pressure

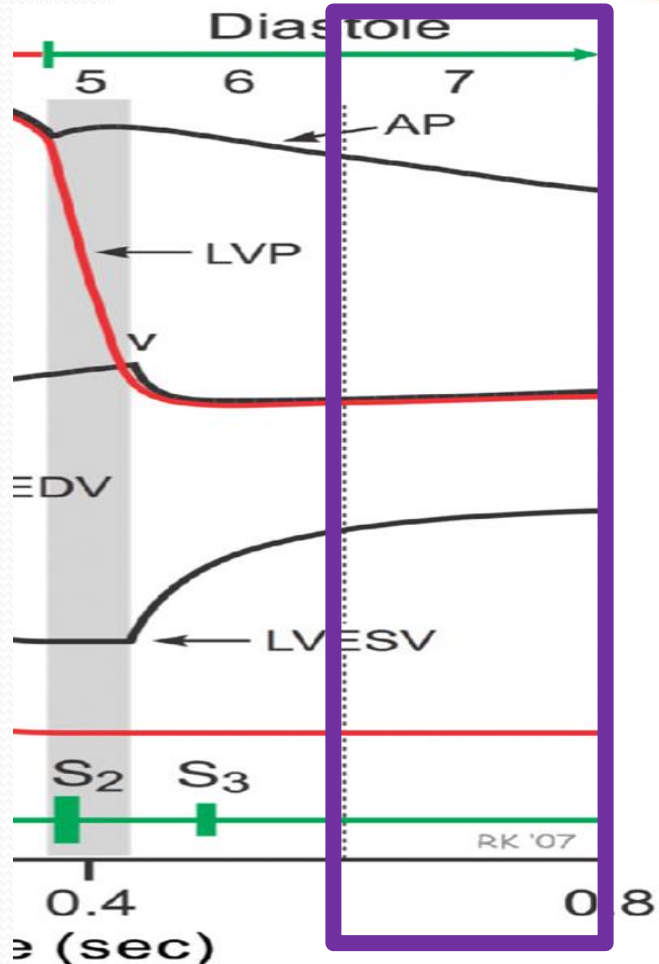




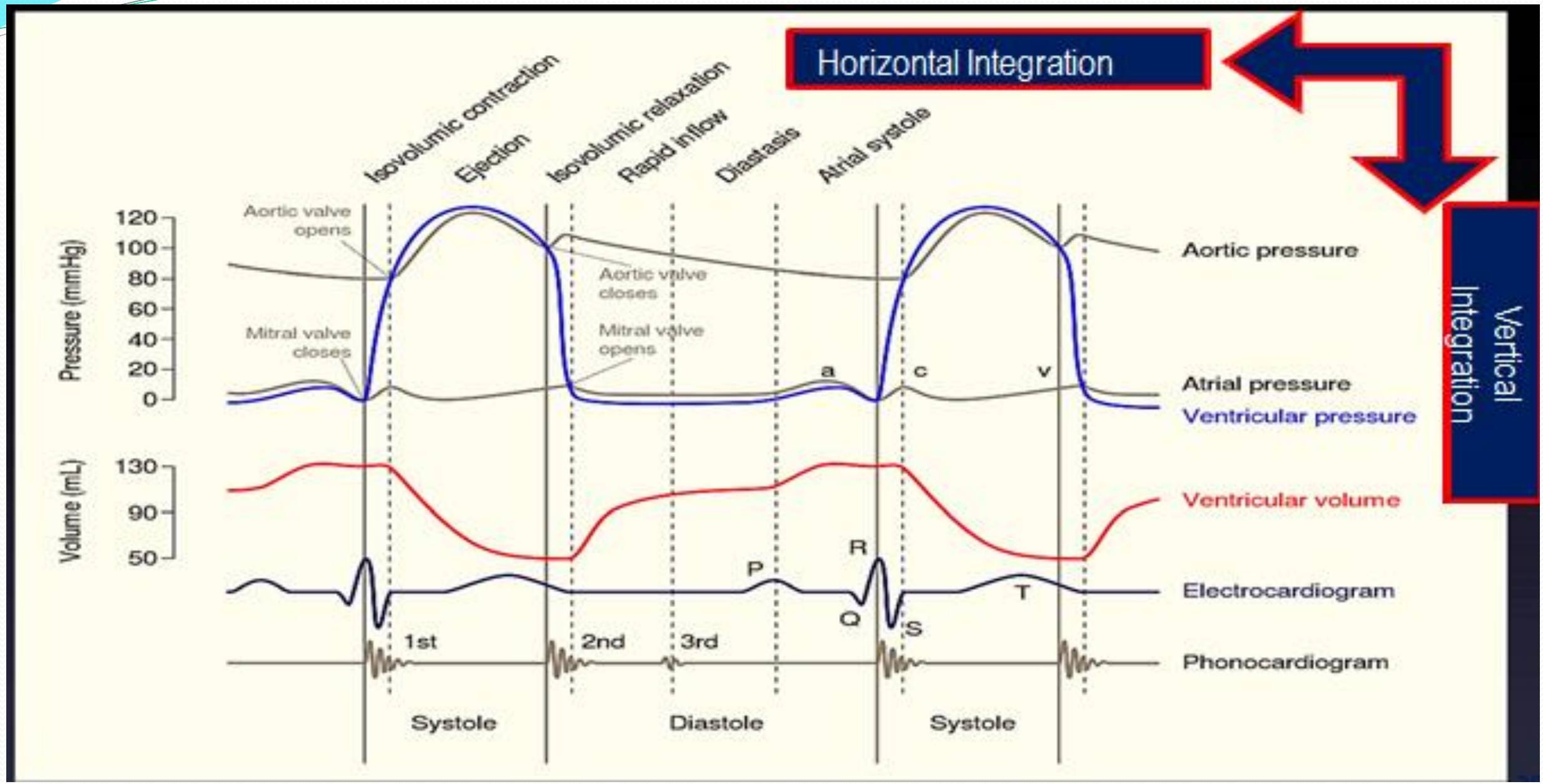
7- Reduced Filling Phase (Diastasis):

- Remaining atrial blood (≈ <5%) passes passively & slowly to the ventricle by pressure gradient.
- A-V valves still open.
- Semilunar valves: Still closed.
- Atrial pressure: Still ↑ gradually due to continuous venous return.
- Ventricular volume: Still ↑ due to entry of blood into ventricles.
- Ventricular pressure: Slightly ↑ gradually because the increase in volume is less than the entering blood.





Correlating Events Together during Cardiac Cycle



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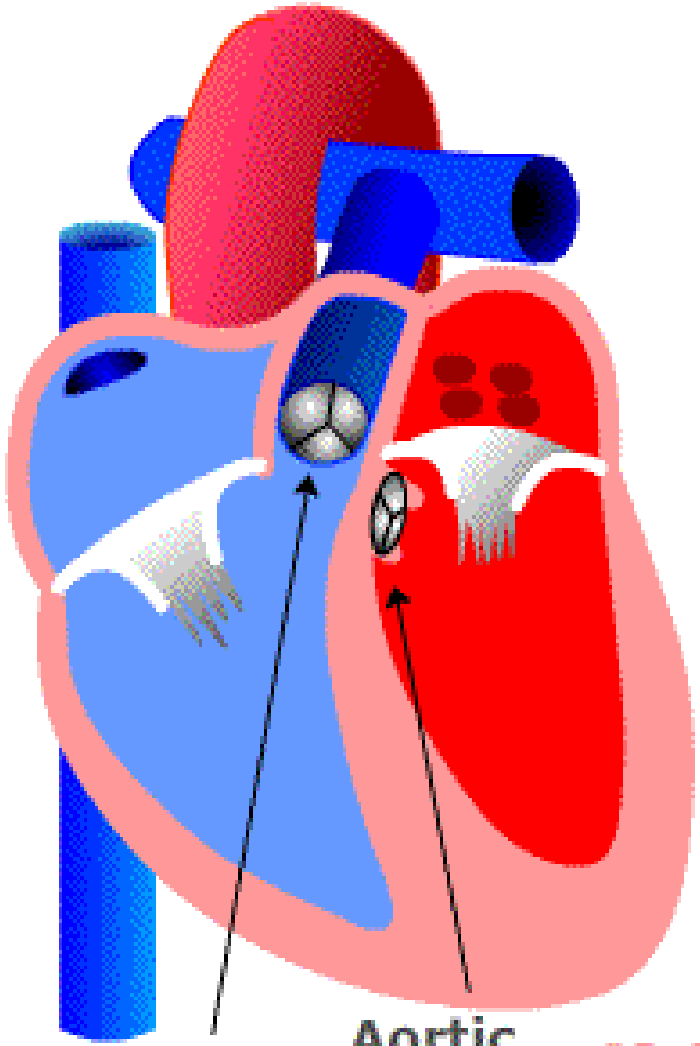

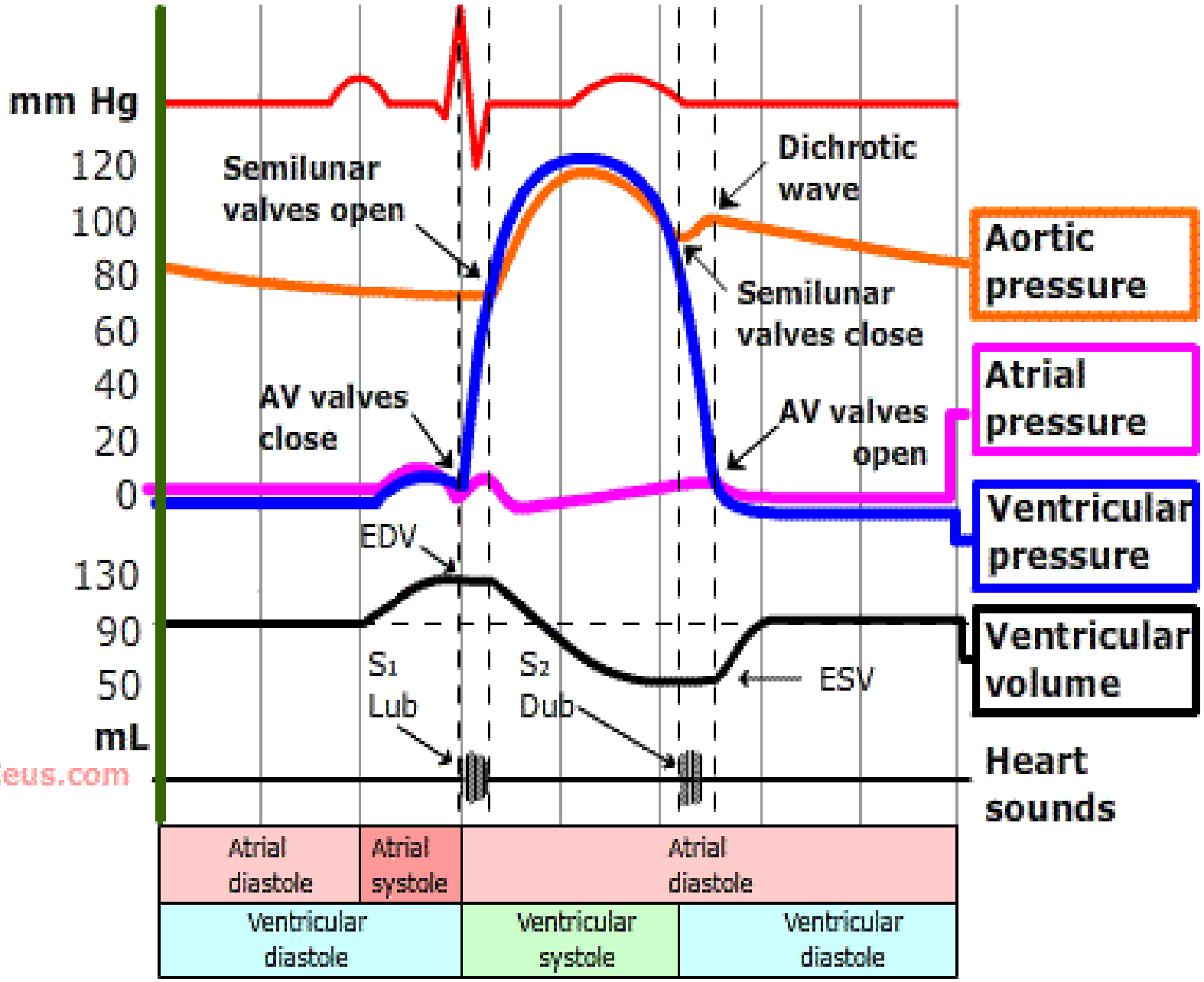

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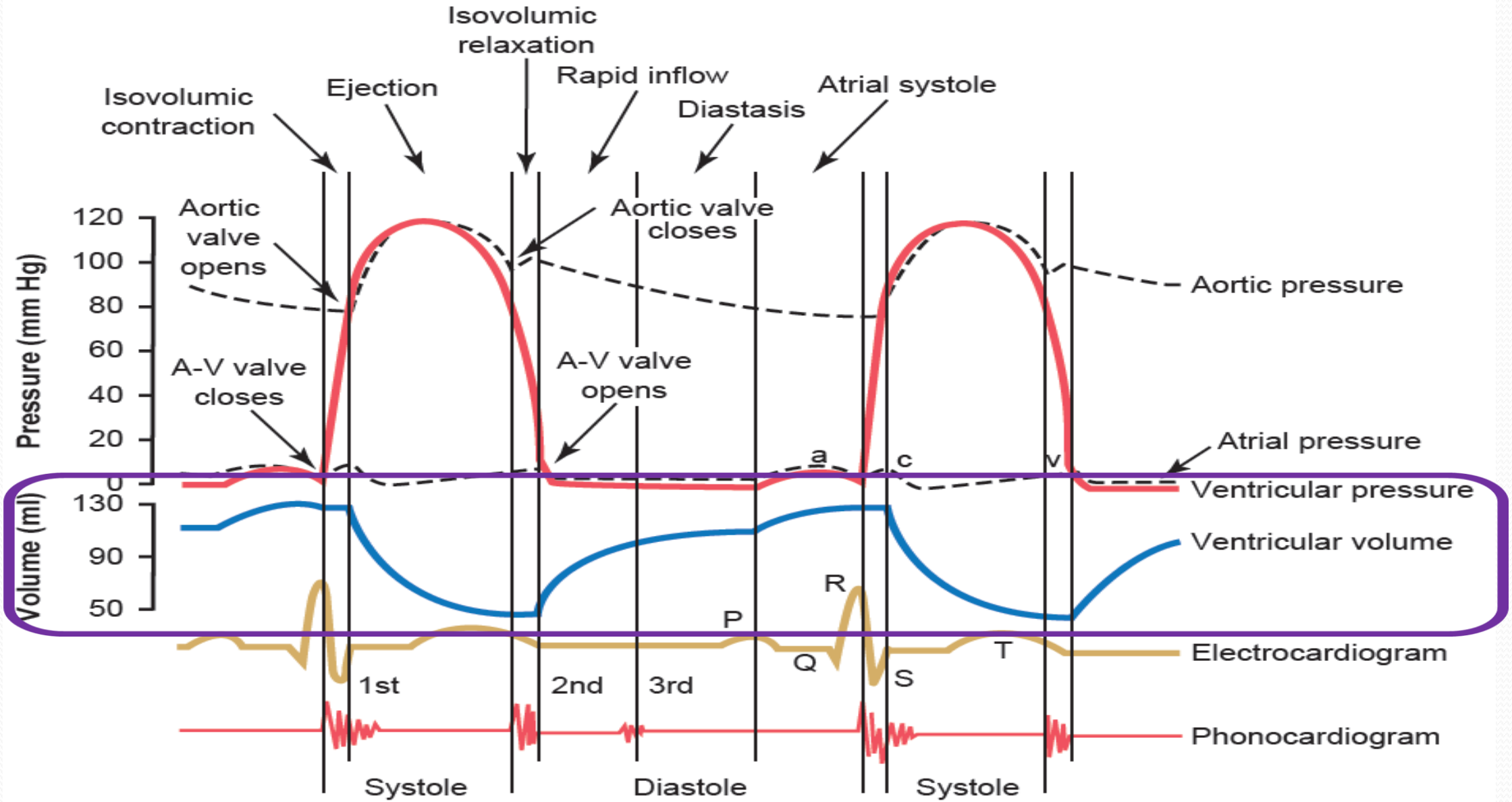

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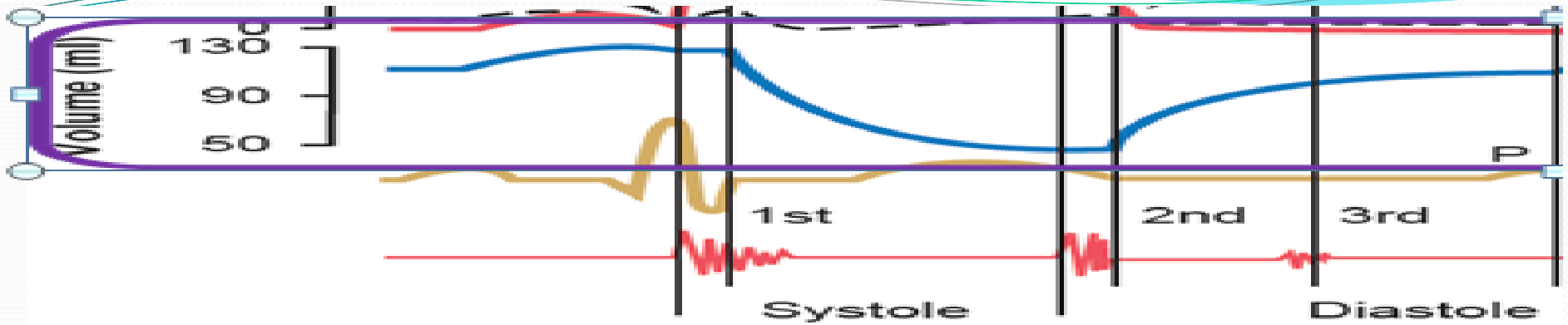

Phases	Ventricular Volume
1- Atrial systole	↑
2- Isometric contraction	Constant
3- Rapid Ejection	↓ rapidly
4- Reduced Ejection	↓ slowly
5- Isometric Relaxation	Constant
6- Rapid Filling	↑ rapidly
7- Reduced Filling	↑ slowly


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